GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2477
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DIVIDEND PAID BY RAILWAYS .
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a)Whether the amount and percentage of dividend paid by Railways is in tune with the expectation of the Government;

(b) If so, the details thereof for each of the last three years;

(c) If not, the reasons therefor; and

(d)The steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure receipt of revenue commensurate with priority given to Railways?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The dividend from 2004-05 onwards is payable to Government at 6.5% as per the recommendation of the Railway Convention Committee. Prior to 2004-05 it was payable at 7%. The amount of total dividend paid during the last three years is as under:

(Rs in cr)

Year	Current dividend for-the year	Clearance of dividend deferred during 2000-01 and 2001-02	Total dividend paid
2003-04	3087	300	3387
2004-05	2716	483	3199
2005-06(Prov)	3005	663	3668
2006-07	3208	663	3871

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(c)&(d): Does not arise.